

REMARKS

Claims 3-13, 15-36, 38-53, and 55-61 are currently pending in the application. Claims 3, 15, 38, and 53 are in independent form.

Applicants wish to express their appreciation for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative, Amy E. Rinaldo, during a telephonic/personal interview conducted June 10, 2005.

Claims 38, 39, and 46-53 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter, which Applicants regard as the invention.

Referring specifically to the Office Action, the Office Action held that claim 38 as written in ambiguous because is unclear for what condition the patients are being treated. In order to further prosecution, the claim has been amended to recite that the compound is being used for treating cancer in patients and reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 39 and 48 stand rejected as being ambiguous because there is a question mark "?" before the phrase "emitting isotopes". This typographical error has been corrected herewith and the gamma symbol "γ" has been inserted in the place of the question mark "?". Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

The Office Action has held that claims 46-52 remained dependent upon a canceled claim. This has been corrected herewith and reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

The Office Action has held that claim 53 is ambiguous because it is unclear whether Applicants intended the compound to have the formula X-Y-B as set forth in all of the other independent claims. In order to further prosecution, the claim has been amended to include this formula and reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the present amendment and foregoing remarks, reconsideration of the rejections and advancement of the case to issue are respectfully requested.



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